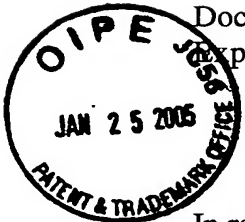


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RESPONSE /AMENDMENT

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The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in response to the Office Action mailed October 25, 2004, following the amendment format set forth under 37 CFR §1.121. After this introductory section, there are Amendments to the Claims and then Remarks, each starting on a separate page.

Amendments to the Claims consist of amendments for claims 1, 6-11, and 16, which are incorporated in a complete listing of the claims. Claims 2, 12, and 17 have been cancelled. Additionally, new claims 21-24 have been added.

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